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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Official action dated May 23, 2007 ("Office Action") and is being filed together with a Request for Continued Examination and a petition for a twomonth extension of time which extends the three-month shortened statutory period to October 23, 2007. This response is being timely filed by October 23, 2007 which is within two months of the expiration of the shortened statutory period.

The remarks begin on page 6.